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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)

Grant Recipient: Fairbanks North Star Borough

Project Title: Project Type: Equipment and Materials

Fairbanks North Star Borough - Hutchison High School Distance Learning System

State Funding Requested: \$95,000 House District: 8 / D

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

This project will provide all equipment necessary to set up one classroom for distance education delivery and reception.

Funding Plan:

Total Cost of Project: \$95,000

Funding Secured Other Pending Requests Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY

Local Funds \$15,000 2011

Total \$15,000

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Distance education delivery for Fairbanks means being able to provide specific and hard to offer classes to any number of schools from one location. For example, Chinese or calculus could be taught at Hutchison High School and offered at all other district high schools (and schools outside the district). This would be done through robust digital links between schools that would offer live video, audio, and networked computer systems simultaneously. This has far reaching implications for improving education, widening offerings, and improving scholastic performance. The project would provide all of the digital, video, and audio equipment. The school district would provide all cabling, connective hardware, computer networking, and installation of the system.

Project Timeline:

Equipment would be purchased and installed during the 2010/2011 school year. The project would be completed and ready for use no later than the fall of 2011.

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Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Fairbanks North Star Borough School District

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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